

STORE BURNS AND ARSON IS SUSPECTED

Constable M. McClung's Establishment is Wiped Out
by Flames at Northview.

AFTER LAW BREAKERS

And It is Thought They Took
Revenge—The Loss is
About \$2,250.

Constable Marcellus McClung's general store and the building it occupied in Northview were destroyed by fire Tuesday night which is believed to be of incendiary origin. It is hinted that persons who frequented houses of ill repute in that addition took this means of satisfying their resentment against the officer for the part he has taken in trying to abolish such resorts in that addition. Officers are working on the case and arrests may follow.

The fire was not discovered until 11:30 o'clock and at that time the building was wrapped in flames. Members of Mr. McClung's family, who reside a short distance from the store, were awakened by the light and noise of the fire and gave the alarm. A bucket brigade was hastily formed by people of the neighborhood but their efforts to check the flames were futile and the store and building burned to the ground. By continually throwing water upon the front of the building across the street occupied by Mr. McClung's meat shop that structure was saved. The glass of the front windows was broken by the heat and the weatherboarded roof scorched, causing damage of about \$20.

Mr. McClung's total loss is between \$2,200 and \$2,500. He carried \$2,000 insurance on the building and store, both of which he owned.

The origin of the fire is unknown. When it was first noticed there seemed to be more flames issuing from the dry goods department in the rear of the store than any place else. There was a gas stove in the rear of the store but no fire in it. The gas was burning low in a small stove in the front part. No lights were burning.

PENSION FOR DOVENER

Senator Nathan B. Scott Introduces Bill to Give
Him \$75 Per Month.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 6.—Senator N. B. Scott has introduced a bill providing for a pension for ex-Congressman B. B. Dovener, of \$75 per month in recognition of his valuable services during the Civil war. The senator will push the measure, aided by the West Virginia house delegation.

Captain Dovener entered the Northern army at the age of 19, enlisting as a volunteer in Company A of the 15th West Virginia Regiment. He quickly rose in the ranks through his valuable service, and in the three years he fought for the Union he engaged in a number of hotly contested engagements and won an enviable record in the field.

INSTALLATION AND ELECTION

New officers will be installed and delegates elected to the grand lodge which meets in Washington, D. C., in March, by the local camp of the Woodmen of the World at its regular meeting in Pythian hall tonight and all members are urged to attend.

BLIZZARD COMES FROM THE WEST

Thermometer in Many Places
is Registering Far Below
Zero Mark.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 6.—Extreme cold weather prevails throughout the west, southwest and northwest, trains are delayed by the intense cold and telegraph companies report the wire service crippled.

In this city the thermometer registered 9 below zero this morning. Kansas City reported the temperature below the average for the southwest, while St. Paul reported the thermometer at 25 below. Regine, Canada, is the coldest place, with the temperature 30 degrees below zero. Throughout the north west the cold is accompanied with wind and snow.

THEATER BURNS

As Well as Office Building and a
Number of Other Buildings.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Jan. 6.—Fire today destroyed the Baldwin theatre and office building and a number of other buildings in the business district. The loss is \$250,000.

FRYE ACTIVE

Against the Effort to Get Rivers and
Harbors Bill Passed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 6.—Senator Frye today began an active campaign against the effort to get a rivers and harbors bill through during the present session of Congress.

STRANGE ACTIONS

Of a Traveling Man Result in
His Being Taken Into
Custody.

A traveling salesman, stating that his name was J. W. Harris and that he was formerly from Kentucky but has been traveling out of Cincinnati, O., is in the county jail in a peculiar condition, either suffering from dope or insanity. He will be kept there until it is determined what ails him.

Harris was committed by Justice W. P. Camp, who witnessed strange actions of his part. The fellow examined and repeatedly re-examined the Spanish cannon, and in front of the monument he held up his hands as if in silent prayer, and just before he was taken into custody, he ran out in front of an approaching street car and held up his hands.

REGENTS TO MEET

Though the exact date has not been set, a meeting of the board of regents is to be held about the 20th of this month in Charleston, when work on the report to the governor of the state will be completed. The matter will likely be completed by that time.

BETTER LAWS FOR SOLDIERS SOUGHT

VOTING PLACES

Are Largely Increased in
Clark District by the
County Court.

There was no session of the county court today but there will be tomorrow when the work of establishing more voting precincts will be resumed.

The court has given its attention in this respect to Clark district and will take up Coal district next.

The number of precincts in Clark district is to be more than doubled and the court has practically agreed on thirteen voting places for that district. This will make seven new voting places in addition to the five heretofore, and among the new ones will be one at the Davidson's Run school house, one at the Monticello school house, one at the Alta Vista school house, and one at the Industrial school house. For precincts 4, 8, 10 and 11 voting places have not been named as yet.

The estates of Elizabeth Titus and Louisa Davis were committed to the sheriff for administration.

W. Knight Potter, of Baltimore, a former resident of the city, is here on business and a guest of relatives and friends.

CHILD DEAD.

Clarence, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Davis, of Lynch's Mines, died at their home Wednesday morning at 2:15 o'clock of pneumonia. The funeral will take place Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock with services at the house and interment in Cork cemetery at Mount Clare.

BROWN ELECTED.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—W. C. Brown was today elected president of the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad Company, succeeding W. H. Newman. Brown formerly was first vice-president of the New York Central.



SENATOR L. J. FORMAN, OF GRANT COUNTY.

A great many of the Telegram readers have never enjoyed the personal acquaintance of Senator L. J. Forman, of Grant county, who is now being so prominently mentioned as the winning candidate for President of the next State Senate, and it therefore takes pleasure in presenting a very good picture of the gentleman, as above.

Mr. Forman was born in Preston county, January 7, 1855. He was reared on a farm and received his early education in the public schools, later finishing his studies by a course in the National Normal University, at Lebanon, O. He was prosecuting attorney of Grant county for sixteen years, and is now about to enter upon his third term in the State Senate, having served in that body for eight years past. He served as chairman of the judiciary committee, was a member of the committees on privileges and elections, penitentiary, immigration and agriculture and public printing, and "made good" in every one of them.

Senator Forman, as his likeness given above would indicate, is a man of strong resolve, high integrity, sterling honesty. If made President of the Senate he will rule over that body in a fair and impartial manner.

organization will not be held up to the ridicule of other troops with whom they are oftentimes associated at maneuver camps because of the incompetency of its higher officers.

SAVAGE'S

Production of Madame But-
terfly is to Be Present-
ed at the Grand.

A notice of special interest to musicians and music lovers was announced to the Telegram this morning by Manager Robinson of the Grand opera house.

Henry W. Savage's production of Puccini's masterpiece, Madame Butterfly, will be seen at the Grand this month, the date to be determined later. Madame Butterfly is a grand opera, dealing with Japanese life, and was the sensation of both continents when first produced. The company producing the opera numbers sixty vocalists and carry an orchestra of twenty-five pieces.

Miss Adelaide Norwood is the soprano and Miss Ethel du Fre Hous-ton is the contralto. These names are alone sufficient to guarantee the excellence of the entire company. Mr. Henry Taylor is the tenor and Mr. Otley Cranston is the baritone.

This will be positively the biggest musical event witnessed in the city. Further announcements will be made through the columns of the Telegram regarding the date of the performance.

FLANIGAN NAMED

To Head the Republican
Ticket at the Adamston
Town Election.

At a convention last night in the Adamston school house the Republicans nominated the following ticket to be voted on at the election in that town tomorrow:

For Mayor—John W. Flanagan.
For Recorder—Harry Bohman.
For Councilmen—George Schutte, John C. Biddle, John M. Skinner, L. D. Johnson and Barney Kiernan.
Messrs Skinner and Johnson are also councilman nominees of the Citizens' party.

The executive committee chosen consists of J. E. Boyle, D. H. Cutright, William Barth, Frank L. Murphy and Calder Wyckoff.

CASE IS DISMISSED

Ellis H. Rogers appeared before Justice W. P. Camp last night and settled a case brought by M. A. Nussbaum and the case was then dismissed. There appeared to be some misunderstanding and intent to defraud was not possessed by Mr. Rogers.

FIVE FELONY INDICTMENTS ARE FOUND

By the Grand Jury and Re-
ported in Open Session
of Circuit Court.

OTHERS ARE INDICTED

For Illegal Sales of Liquor,
Carrying Revolvers and
for Making Assaults.

At Wednesday morning's session of circuit-court the grand jury returned five felony and nine misdemeanor indictments. The felonies are as follows:

W. Lewis Collins, charged with felonious assault on Elmer J. Boner, Victoria Bogges and Bertha Bogges, charged with burglary of Jacob-Fittro's house.

Lewis Jones, two cases, charged with the theft of horses.

Earl Boxdale and William Jones, charged with the theft of six turkeys from Hugh Lyon.

The misdemeanor indictments are as follows:

Sam Hikel, three cases, charged with illegal sales of liquor, having no state license.

August Yodki, charged with assault on Jessie Savage.

Albert Crites, charged with carrying a revolver.

Hope Natural Gas Company, charged with destroying a public road.

James Mino, charged with carrying a revolver.

W. Lewis Collins, two cases, charged with assault upon Ed Black and Del Partel.

SOLONS ARE ASKED TO REPEAL A LAW

W. Va. Fraternal Association
Wants Substitute for In-
surance Order Statute.

Resolutions directed to the State legislature requesting the repeal of Senate Bill No. 25, which became Chapter 32 of the Acts of the extraordinary session of that body last spring, with the exceptions of the sections relating to farmers' mutual co-operative fire insurance companies, were passed by the West Virginia Fraternal Association at what was designated as its first annual convention held at the Waldo hotel yesterday. The legislature is also requested to adopt a substitute bill which will be prepared and presented by the executive committee of the association.

The executive committee had been authorized to draft the desired bill, but was unable to agree upon some of the provisions. These were discussed fully at the convention, but no definite action was taken upon them the matter being left for final adjudication by the executive committee. A committee was appointed to attend the legislature and work for the repeal of the obnoxious measure. President F. B. Burk, Secretary P. C. Parker and Treasurer C. C. Showalter, all of Parkersburg, were named as members of the committee.

Fairmont was chosen as the place for the next meeting of the association and June 15 was selected as the date. All of the old officers of the association were re-elected to serve for another year. It is the intention to hold annual conventions in January hereafter and the meeting Tuesday was designated as the first annual convention. The officers are as follows:

President, F. B. Burk, Parkersburg.
Vice-President, Mrs. P. D. Dye, Parkersburg.

Secretary, P. C. Parker, Parkersburg.
Treasurer, C. C. Showalter, Parkersburg.

Trustees, H. C. Fisher, Keyser; P. D. Marsh, Weston; Alex. Foreman, Morgantown.

President First Senatorial district, A. A. Gaus, Wheeling; second district, H. R. Stephenson, Moundsville; third district, L. E. Simmons, Parkersburg; fourth district, L. A. Harper, Pt. Pleasant; fifth district, H. D.

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BEHT DIES

Widely Known Over State and Held
Several Offices.

MARIETTA, O., Jan. 6.—Henry G. Beht, widely known over the state, died here today. He was connected with the secretary of state's office and held various other positions of responsibility in the state.

MRS. CRISS'S BROTHER

A Well Known Printer is Buried in
City of Cumberland.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Jan. 6.—The funeral of Mr. Thompson Wickard, brother of Mrs. H. F. Criss, of Clarksburg, W. Va., who died at his home, No. 90 Centre street, Monday night, took place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with services at the residence. Interment was made in the German Lutheran cemetery. The members of Cumberland Typographical Union to which he belonged, attended in a body.

TRESPASS CHARGE

Against Constable and Sup-
erintendent in Warrants
Against Them.

A new development in the squabble between the Farmers and the Hope Natural Gas Company over pipe at Salem has taken place.

After Constable Charles L. Ford and Superintendent John T. Campbell were driven from the Varner premises Tuesday at the points of guns, A. J. Varner obtained warrants against Campbell and Ford, charging them with trespass. The warrant against Campbell was served at once, but Ford having returned to the city the paper against him has not yet been executed.

Miss Frances Henshaw, of Martinsburg, was in the city Tuesday enroute home from Salem, where she attended a meeting of the directors of the Industrial Home for Girls.

DOGS EATING DEAD BODIES OF VICTIMS

And Are Attacking the
Refugees After the Man-
ner of Hyenas.

SUPPLIES ARE SENT

By the American Diplomatic
Official and Resolutions
Are Presented.

MESSINA, Jan. 6.—Dogs now constitute one of the dangers to the earthquake refugees. These animals, starving and often rabid through lack of water, gnaw corpses like hyenas and frequently attack the refugees themselves.

Ambassador Griscom yesterday shipped supplies from Naples on the steamer Bayern, which he chartered. Griscom presented formally to the Italian government resolutions of sympathy passed by the House of Representatives at Washington. Foreign Minister Tittoni expressed high appreciation of this act, and said it would be given fitting acknowledgment.

PROGRAM OUT

For Third Annual Meeting of
W. Va. Fish and Game
Protective Association.

The program of the third annual meeting of the West Virginia Fish & Game Protective Association, which will be held in the capitol at Charleston January 10, beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning, has been issued and is being sent to members by Secretary L. C. Cline, of this city. It is as follows:

Address of Welcome—Hon. James A. Hollifield, mayor of Charleston.

Address by the President—Mr. Thomas M. Darrah, Wheeling.
Reading and Approving Minutes of Last Meeting.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer and other officers.

Proposals for membership.

Reports of committees.

Paper—"The Game Birds of West Virginia"—Rev. Earl A. Brooks, of Weston.

Election of officers.

Address by His Excellency, William M. O. Dawson, Governor of West Virginia.

Paper—"The Artificial Propagation of Fish as it applies to West Virginia waters"—Robert T. Robinson, in charge of United States Fishery, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Paper—"Game Animals of West Virginia"—Mr. Thad. Stribur, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Unfinished and new business.

Reading of Communications and miscellaneous business.

Adjournment.

COWBOY PHOTOGRAPHS

There is an article in the January World's Work with which are incorporated twenty-six photographs taken by Mr. Edwin E. Smith, of the "Cowboy as he Disappears." There has probably never before been a collection of such intimate pictures of cowboy life.

Col. T. J. Stoyan has returned from Parkersburg, where he visited relatives and friends a few days.

PRISONER SAWS BARS OF LOCK-UP

Cline Jackson Tries to Break
Out of City Coop But is
Not Successful.

Cline Jackson, dope fiend and drunkard, tried to saw his way out of the city lock-up Tuesday night but failed to accomplish his desire. With a small piece of a steel saw about four inches long and a half inch wide, he worked laboriously upon three of the bars of his cell and succeeded in cutting one bar nearly through.

Wednesday morning after Cline had been sentenced to three days' imprisonment in the county jail for drunkenness by Mayor Wood, one of the men who occupied the cell informed the officers that Cline had tampered with bars of the lock-up and an inspection revealed what he

had done. Chief Staley and Officer Nicholas Whyte went to the jail and searched Jackson, finding the saw hidden in the crown of his hat.

The police had been informed that Cline was wanted in Weston for having escaped from the county jail there, where he had been imprisoned to serve a sentence for stealing. Chief Staley telephoned to the Weston authorities and informed them of Cline's arrest but they said he had only a day or so more to serve when he escaped and they did not think it worth while to have him brought back.

Cline was arrested in Clay street last night by Chief Staley after a resident of that section had telephoned to police headquarters complaining that some man had been going along there peeping into the windows of residences.